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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Applicant in the above-identified application hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to and including January 24, 2002 for responding to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2001. A Notice of Appeal accompanies this Petition.

[X] A check in the amount of \$\_400\_.00 is enclosed herewith.

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